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Friday, 17 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 1st meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3

Open-ended informal consultations of the plenary on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, chaired by the President of the General Assembly [An Informal Note by the President of the General Assembly was faxed to all missions on Wednesday, 15 October 2003. Delegations are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.]

3 p.m. . . . . 36th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]
2. Report of the Security Council (A/58/2): assessment by the President of the General Assembly of the debate, in accordance to General Assembly resolution 51/241 of 31 July 1997 . . . . . [11]

General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session

The resumed tenth emergency special session of the General Assembly will be held on Monday, 20 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 8).

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Main Committees

First Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal exchange of views on the methods of work of the First Committee

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 14th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Sectoral policy questions: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin . . . . . [92]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.2

Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006). . . . . [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/58/L.3

Environment and sustainable development (A/58/25, A/58/204) . . . . . [94]

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005 (A/58/164)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa (A/58/158)

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/58/191)

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/58/277)

(f) Protection of the Global Climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/58/308)

(g) Sustainable mountain development (A/58/134)

Conclusion of general discussion

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women (A/58/3, A/58/38 (Supplement No. 38), A/58/161, A/58/167, A/58/167/Add.1, A/58/168, A/58/169, A/58/374, A/58/341 and A/58/417) . . . . [110]

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (A/58/3 and A/58/166) [111]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

3–6 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/58/184, A/58/272, A/58/282, A/58/328, A/58/329 and A/58/420) . . . . . [113]

Introductory statements, dialogue with senior officials and general discussion

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Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/58/11, A/58/63, A/56/767 and A/58/189))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Pattern of conferences (A/58/32, A/58/194, A/58/194/Corr.1, A/58/194/Corr.2, A/58/213, A/57/783, A/57/809, A/58/7, A/58/7/Corr.1 and A/58/7/Add.1))

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/58/37, A/58/37/Corr.1, A/58/116, A/58/116/Add.1, A/58/78-S/2003/541, A/58/94-S/2003/642, A/58/131-S/2003/703, A/58/271-S/2003/808, A/58/302, A/58/315-S/2003/845, A/58/361-S/2003/877, A/58/390-S/2003/916, A/58/424-S/2003/972, A/58/425-S/2003/976 and A/C.6/58/L.10) [156]

Working Group on the Scope of Legal Protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Adoption of the report of the Working Group (A/C.6/58/WG.3/CRP.1) (A/58/52, A/58/187, A/58/302)

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[1] Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [agenda item 104 (b)]
(29–30 October 2003)

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

All delegations wishing to participate, including those already inscribed, in any of eight ministerial-level round tables, to be held on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe the name of the participating Minister or the Head of delegation on the list of participants in round tables on the following themes:

Round tables 1 and 2 (morning): *"Regional dimensions of the implementation of the results of the International Conference on Financing for Development"*

Round tables 3 and 4 (morning): *"Coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development"*

Round tables 5 and 6 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration"*

Round tables 7 and 8 (afternoon): *"The link between the progress in the implementation of the agreements and commitments reached at the International Conference on Financing for Development and the promotion of sustainable development, sustained economic growth and the eradication of poverty with a view to achieving an equitable global economic system"*.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables.

Inscriptions by institutional and non-institutional stakeholders

Each round table will also include the following accredited participants: 5 representatives of observers in the General Assembly, entities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations other than observers; 3 representatives of civil society; and 3 representatives of the private sector. Their distribution in the round tables will follow the practice used in the International Conference on Financing for Development. For information and inscriptions, please contact the Financing for Development Office (e-mail ffdoffice@un.org; Web site www.un.org/esa/ffd).

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Draft reports
2. Discussion on the salary and retirement allowance of the Secretary-General and the salary pensionable remuneration of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)

10–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

General Assembly

Informal consultations on agenda item 52 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 8

Other meetings

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Friday, 17 October 2003

Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolution on the implementation of the world programme of action concerning disabled persons: towards a society for all in the twenty-first century (agenda item 106) (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Philippines)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Group of 77 *(on agenda items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 91 (e); and the Almaty Programme of Action)*

10.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(on environment and sustainable development issues)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building of global public health" (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women" (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal (agenda item 23) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Greece)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Towards global partnership" (agenda item 46) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (Third Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Iceland)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Caribbean Community *(on Second Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Open-ended informal consultations on draft resolutions on the preparation for and observance of the International Year of the Family and on the importance of the guidance and the role of parents in the care, control and development of children (agenda item 106) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Panel discussion on NPT States parties reporting (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the global road safety crisis (organized by the Permanent Mission of Oman)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (agenda item 105) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Briefing on UNCTAD new technical cooperation programme

The New York Office of UNCTAD will hold a briefing on its new technical cooperation programme *today*, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

World Bank seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication"

There will be a seminar on "A Dialogue on Development and Communication", organized by the World Bank, *today*, 17 October 2003, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. A presentation will be made by Dr. Ian Goldin, Vice-President for External Affairs and United Nations Affairs, World Bank. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Office of the Special Representative to the United Nations, World Bank (tel. 1 (212) 355-5112; fax 1 (212) 355-4523).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Dileep Nair, Under-Secretary-General for Oversight Services (to present the annual report of the Office of the Internal Oversight Services (A/58/364))

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 20 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. . . . . 37th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/58/356/Add.1) . . . . . [8 and 125]
2. Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/58/3, Part I) . . . . . [12]
3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/344) [40 (a) to (e)]: *joint debate*
   - (a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/89, A/58/434)
   - (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: reports of the Secretary-General (A/58/133, A/58/224, A/58/225, A/58/273, A/58/280, A/58/285, A/58/286, A/58/358)
   - (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/332)
   - (d) Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/320)
   - (e) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/88 and A/58/88/Corr.1)

Tenth emergency special session

3 p.m. . . . . 21st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory . . . . . [5]

Second Committee

Panel discussion

As part of the work of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly in the economic and social fields, there will be a panel discussion on "Microcredit, Poverty Eradication and the Empowerment of Women", organized by the Department for Economic and Social Affairs, on Thursday, 23 October 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Iftekhar Chowdhury (Bangladesh), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include H.E. Mrs. María Eugenia Brizuela de Ávila, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador; Mr. Anwarul K. Chowdhury, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States; Mr. Rupert Scofield, Executive Director of the Foundation for International Community Assistance (FINCA); Mr. Normand Lauzon, Executive Director of United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF); and Mr. René Azokli, Managing Director of PADME.

Members of permanent missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4201; or e-mail ecosocinfo@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session 2003

There will be a meeting of the resumed substantive session 2003, on Friday, 31 October 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council, on the following outstanding matters before the resumed substantive session 2003:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2003/104 and E/2003/105[1]) [1]

   Elections[2]:

   Commission on Science and Technology for Development

   Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

   United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/2003/L.3/Add.13)

   Committee for the United Nations Population Award

   Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

   Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

   International Narcotics Control Board (E/2003/L.3/Add.12)

2. Regional cooperation (E/2003/15/Add.2)[1] . . . . . [10]

3. Economic and environmental questions. . . . . [13]

   (h) International cooperation in tax matters

   (i) United Nations Forum on Forests (E/2003/42)

[1] To be issued.

[2] For additional information on elections, please contact Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973).

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 9, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (agenda item 117 (a)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, on Monday, 20 October 2003, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)*

There will be meetings of the JUSCANZ Group *(on Third Committee matters)* on 21 and 28 October 2003 from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in PRSP processes

There will be a presentation of the results of evaluations on bilateral participation in Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSP) processes, organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and Switzerland, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters

There will be a panel discussion on international cooperation in tax matters, organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdel H. Bouab, Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8406); or Mr. Masa Ohyama (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695).

Informal briefing on the draft resolution entitled "Creation of a global culture of cybersecurity" (agenda item 91 (b)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States)

There will be an informal briefing on the draft resolution entitled "Creation of a global culture of cybersecurity" (agenda item 91 (b)), organized by the Permanent Mission of the United States, on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Pacific Islands Forum: Working Group on Oceans *(Sixth Committee experts)*

The Working Group on Oceans of the Pacific Islands Forum *(Sixth Committee experts)* will hold a meeting on Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Symposia on population and development

The Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Office of the Permanent Observer of Partners in Population and Development to the United Nations are jointly organizing four symposia, to be held at Headquarters, as follows:

Symposium I on "Population and the Millennium Development Goals": Wednesday, 22 October 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m, in a conference room to be announced;

Symposium II on "Family Planning, Reproductive Health and Development": Monday, 3 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium;

Symposium III on "Empowerment of Women": Monday, 10 November, from 3 to 5.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Symposium IV on "Population and HIV/AIDS": Wednesday, 19 November, from 4 to 6 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend [For further information: tel. 1 (212) 457-1828; e-mail rgarvey@ppdsec.org].

Panel discussion on microcredit

There will be a panel discussion on microcredit, co-organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States and the Microcredit Summit Campaign, on the occasion of the release of the *State of the Microcredit Summit Campaign Report*, on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 1 to 2.15 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710).

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 3 November 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 5 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 29 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 October 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the NAM Caucus Room.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 15 October 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

11th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [110]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000, gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [111]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard introductory statements by the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women, the Executive Director of UNIFEM and the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

Following the introductory statements, a dialogue ensued in which the following representatives intervened: Italy, Singapore, Canada, Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Afghanistan, Peru, Croatia and Spain, as well as the observer for Palestine.

Statements were made by the representatives of Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries –Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, and the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey), Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), China, Brazil, Malawi (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)) and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

12th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 110 and 111 and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa, Norway, Egypt, Ukraine (on behalf of the (GUUAM), Indonesia, the United States, Oman, Canada, the Sudan, Argentina, Japan, Singapore, Venezuela, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United Arab Emirates, the Russian Federation, Ecuador, Qatar and Croatia.

The representative of the World Bank made a statement.

The representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development also made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the International Committee of the Red Cross and the World Bank.

Thursday, 16 October 2003

Security Council

4844th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2003/992, submitted by Cameroon, Spain, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2003/992) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2003/992) received 15 votes in favour, none against, no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1511 (2003).

Following the vote, the Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Germany, France, the United Kingdom, China, Pakistan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Spain, Bulgaria and Chile, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

4845th meeting

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Peru, South Africa, Switzerland, Uganda and Yemen, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Inocencio Arias, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Inocencio Arias.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon, Chile, Bulgaria, Guinea, the United Kingdom and Germany.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of France, the Syrian Arab Republic, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Angola, Mexico, China and Spain, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United States.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Yemen, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Switzerland, Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, as well as the EFTA country member of the EEA, Iceland, which aligned themselves with the statement), Uganda, Japan, Israel, Colombia, India, Azerbaijan, Liechtenstein, Indonesia, South Africa, Kazakhstan, Brazil, Ecuador, Armenia and Lebanon.

The representative of Pakistan made a further statement.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/17).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

34th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/58/432) . . . . . [124]

Under rule 66 of the rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the Fifth Committee which was before the Assembly.

The Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/58/432) (resolution 58/1).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of item 124.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: draft resolution (A/58/L.1) . . . . . [12]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/58/L.1 (resolution 58/2).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of item 12.

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III section B, programme 8, chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and Ghana, as well as by H.E. The Honourable Amos Wako, Attorney-General of Kenya, and by the representatives of Pakistan, Ethiopia, Benin, Senegal, Burundi, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Eritrea, Indonesia, Canada, Zimbabwe, China and Haiti.

35th plenary meeting

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support [39 (a) and (b)]: *joint debate*

(a) New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/254)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General on proposed revisions to programme 8 of the medium-term plan for the period 2002-2005: United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (A/58/83)

(iii) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/58/16, chapter III section B, programme 8, chapter IV, section B)

(b) Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/352)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of Rwanda, Fiji, the Sudan, Malaysia, the Philippines, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Australia, Mauritius, Kuwait, Equatorial Guinea and Nepal.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 32nd plenary meeting, on 15 October 2003, the observer of the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2011 of the twentieth session of 11 October 1965 and decision 56/475 of 15 August 2002, the observer of the African Union made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/18 of 10 November 1978 and decision 53/453 of 18 December 1998, the observer of the International Organization of la Francophonie made a statement.

The President made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration on agenda item 39 and its sub-items (a) and (b).

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters . . . . . [56]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 56.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Uruguay and Ireland.

Main Committees

First Committee

10th meeting

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements made by the representatives of Bulgaria, Haiti and Somalia.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

9th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [85]

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Australia, South Africa (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Peru (on behalf of the RIO Group), Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, and the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Canada, Jordan, New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum Group), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Ghana, Algeria, the Russian Federation, Norway, Lebanon Tunisia and Ukraine.

The Committee decided to continue its general debate on this item the following day, at 10 a.m.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [19]

Question of Western Sahara

Following a statement by the Chairman, the Committee decided to consider, in English only, the draft resolution relating to the question of Western Sahara proposed by the Chairman (A/C.4/58/L.6), and to waive the 24-hour rule (120 of the rules of procedure) to take action on the proposal. The Committee then decided to replace draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.4 with draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.6.

A statement was made by the representative of Honduras.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/58/L.6, as orally revised, without a vote.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania; Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, the associated countries – Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, as well as the EFTA countries, members of the European Economic Area, Iceland and Norway), Morocco and Algeria.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 19.

Second Committee

12th meeting

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [94]

(a) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme (1996-2005)

(b) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity

(e) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(f) Protection of the Global Climate for present and future generations of mankind

(g) Sustainable mountain development

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (under sub-item (f)), the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (under sub-item (c)), the Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator of the Office for the Coordinator of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (under sub-item (e)), and the Deputy Chief of the Energy and Transport Branch of the Division for Sustainable Development of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item (a)).

Introductory statements were also made by the Director of the Liaison Office in New York of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (sub-item (g)) and the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme.

A statement was made by the Director of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Land-locked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States.

Questions were raised by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda and the Islamic Republic of Iran, to which responses were made by the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Director of the New York Office of the

United Nations Environment Programme, the Deputy Chief of the Energy and Transport Branch of the Division for Sustainable Development of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs and the representative of the Office for the Coordinator of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs.

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Italy (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum), China, the Russian Federation, Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group), Brazil and Venezuela.

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

At the request of the representative of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Committee approved an extension of the deadline for submission of draft proposals under items 93 (a), (b) and (c) and 97 (a) to Monday 20 October at 6 p.m.

13th meeting

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 94.

Statements were made by the representatives Mexico, Croatia, Kenya, Iceland, the Islamic republic of Iran, Algeria, Oman, Namibia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Benin, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burkina Faso, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Ecuador (on behalf of the Andean Community) and the United Arab Emirates.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

The representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and the World Bank.

Deadline for submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under agenda item 94 and sub-items (a) to (g) was Monday, 20 October, at 6 p.m.

Third Committee

13th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [110]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000, gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [111]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Peru, Iceland, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Cuba, Burkina Faso, the Netherlands, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Bahrain, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Jordan, Mozambique, Yemen, Pakistan and Chile.

A statement was also made by the observer for Palestine.

The representative of the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

The representative of the International Labour Organization also made a statement.

14th meeting

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 110 and 111 and heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon, Algeria, Senegal, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, San Marino, Kuwait, Jamaica, Turkey, Nigeria, the Dominican Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Eritrea, Guatemala, Thailand, Azerbaijan, Malaysia, Botswana, Colombia and Cape Verde.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representative of Israel, the observer for Palestine and the representatives of Japan and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

219th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Consideration and adoption of the draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/2003/CRP.1)

The Chairman made a statement.

The Rapporteur introduced the draft report

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Cyprus and Mali.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Secretary made a statement.

The draft report was then adopted by the Committee.

The Chairman made a statement.

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Preparatory Committee for UNCTAD XI
First session
United Nations Office at Geneva

Thursday, 16 October 2003

2nd meeting

The Preparatory Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of the following countries: Italy (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries – Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), as well as the associated countries – Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, which aligned themselves with the statement), United States, Bulgaria (on behalf of Group D), India and Cuba.

3rd meeting

The host country (Brazil) for the eleventh session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development made a presentation. Statements were made by H.E. Mr. De Seixas Correa (Brazil); Mr. Kjeld Jacobsen, Secretary for International Relations of the São Paulo City Hall; and H.E. Ms. Leonilda Alves Correa, Minister, National Coordinator of the Working Group for UNCTAD XI, Ministry of External Relations of Brazil.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980

Acceptance: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Chile (15 October 2003)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Ceremony on the occasion of 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger"

There will be a special ceremony on the occasion of the 2003 World Food Day on the theme "Working together for an international alliance against hunger", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), *today* 17 October 2003, at 12.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036 or 963-6319).

Ceremony on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, a commemoration, organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will take place *today*, 17 October 2003, from 10.30 to 11.45 a.m. in the United Nations Garden. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, will deliver the Secretary-General's message for the occasion. Members of permanent missions, United Nations agencies and organizations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Felice Llamas, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-2924); or Mr. Rolando Gómez, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-2744).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 21 October 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. H.E. Mr. Julian Robert Hunte, President of the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly, will be the speaker.

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